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FAX TO:       ATTN: MS. RENATA B. HESSE  
                  U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
                  202-307-1454

RE:            MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT

Dear Ms. Hesse:

The proposed settlement is, I believe, fair and equitable for all concerned.

- Microsoft will continue to provide new software that will integrate new products;
- Competitors will have more Windows access to incorporate in their products, making them more compatible;
- Software manufacturers will resume the creation of new products;
- Consumers will have wider choices among software products; and
- Investors will enjoy stability in the marketplace.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William F. Summerfield". To the right of the signature, there are initials "WFS" written in a similar cursive style.

William F. Summerfield

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